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In re Application of :
George A. Austin :
Application No. 10/766,728 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: January 27, 2004 :
Title: Electrically Heated Mineral or :
Masonry Material Seat :

This is in response to the letter filed February 8, 2007, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **GRANTED**.

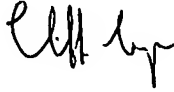
The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed July 6, 2006. This Notice set an extendable period for reply of one (1) month. No reply having been received, the application became abandoned on August 7, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on February 1, 2007.

A review of the file reveals that the July 6, 2006 Notice, for reasons not apparent to the Office, was returned as undeliverable. Accordingly, it is obvious that the Office action was not received by Applicant.

In view thereof, the holding of abandonment is **WITHDRAWN**.

The matter is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 3636 for re-mailing of the July 6, 2006 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, setting a new period for reply.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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